

were successfully concealed until after the conviction of Billings. As soon as the characters of state's witnesses against Billings were fully ascertained several of them were dropped and a new set was procured for the trial of Mooney. On and on they go, with a new set of perjurers for each of the five victims."

W. Bourke Cockron spoke to an audience of 12,000 people in the Chicago Coliseum last September on religious liberty. The meeting March 25 is expected to show Cockran in a terrific attack on American judicial intolerance.

#### MARY McDOWELL TO TALK ON PRESS AND SCHOOLS

"The Press and the Public Schools" will be discussed by Mary McDowell before the Chicago Woman's club tomorrow morning in Recital hall.

More millions of dollars of public money go into the schools system than any other department of city government. So taxpayers have a right to full and accurate news about what the school board is doing.

Mothers, fathers and children—that is, nearly all the people in Chicago—want to see the public schools system something better than we have now.

Miss McDowell is going to tell how the newspapers can help if they want to. Prof. Chas. Judd is to speak on "Methods of Determining Efficiency in Teachers."

#### STENCH OF DECAYING HUMAN FLESH CAUSED RETREAT

With the British Armies in France, March 6.—One reason why Germans retreated along Amers was because they were fast becoming garrison of gibbering lunatics. Their position had become more hideous than scupper of hell. Mud—bottomless in places—and the ceaseless pounding of the British guns had turned their positions into stench-plots too horrible for human nerves to stand.

#### SWISS MINISTER MAY GET HIS PASSPORTS



DR. PAUL RITTER

Charges that Dr. Ritter, Swiss ambassador to the U. S., has been conducting German peace propaganda in this country may cause Pres. Wilson to ask for his recall. Dr. Ritter has been in charge of German interests here since relations between the two countries were broken.

#### LOSES GRIP TO WINDOW LEDGE —PLUNGES TO DEATH

Detroit, March 6.—After clinging for five minutes to the window ledge of his room on seventh floor of Hotel Tuller, E. D. Voorhees, Jr., a salesman, dropped to death to roof of one of the hotel diningrooms, six stories below. Voorhees sought window as his only means of escaping flames which charred his room.

Damage to hotel was slight.